



A note to our readers

We at the Wabash Plain Dealer remain committed to covering our community. In recent months you may have noticed some new names in your paper or even some new faces around town gathering the news. Those changes are a sign of our commitment to the mission of a community newspaper and we want you to be aware of that.

In the coming months, we hope you will notice more local and state coverage as we continue to evolve.

Some of you may be reading this in a paper that showed up in your mailbox this morning. We are sharing this paper with you free of charge because we want you, too, to be aware of the work we are doing. If you have received this, please consider subscribing at a discounted rate. Please call Heather Korporal at 765-671-2213 for details.

Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned a tailgate food distribution for 11 a.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 28 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, Sept. 14 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

Registration is open for Leadership Development 2022-2023 cohort

Grow Wabash County has announced that registration is now open for the 2022-2023 cohort of the Leadership Development Wabash County (LDWC) program. Every month between October and May

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ISDH: New bivalent COVID-19 booster vaccines available

Also, CDC downgrades Wabash County's community spread level from high to low

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Locations around the state have begun to schedule appointments for the new bi-

valent COVID-19 booster vaccines, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) announced Tuesday, Sept. 13.

The ISDH also recently began offering COVID-19 vaccinations for young Hoosiers. However, no locations for either have been listed in Wabash County as of yet.

The ISDH stated that they had added locations for booster vaccines, which protect

against the two most common strains of the virus," to its map at www.ourshot.in.gov.

Appointments are not yet available online but can be made by contacting a pharmacy or healthcare provider, or by calling 211 (866-211-9966) for assistance.

"Additional locations will be added as vaccine shipments continue to arrive in the state," stated the ISDH.

The FDA authorized the bivalent boosters on Aug. 31, and the CDC endorsed their use on Sept. 1. The new boosters include protection against the Omicron variant that is the dominant strain circulating and replace previous boosters, which covered only the original COVID-19 strain.

"The Omicron variant has been the main cause of COVID-19 infections for

months, so having a vaccine that specifically targets this variant, as well as the Delta variant, will help keep Hoosiers healthier as we enter the fall and winter, when respiratory illnesses often increase," said State Health Commissioner Kris Box, M.D., FA-COG. "I encourage individuals who are eligible to consider

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Rush Tribute Project looks to bring 'The Spirit of Radio' to Wabash



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The Rush Tribute Project is set to play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 at Eagles Theatre.

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By ROB BURGESS
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Legendary progressive rock band Rush hasn't actually been a band for four years.

But, for fans of drummer Neil Peart, guitarist Alex Lifeson bassist and lead singer Geddy Lee, the Rush Tribute Project hopes to provide "a concert experience that is unparalleled," said Honeywell Arts & Enter-

tainment digital marketing coordinator Kaitlynn Still.

The Rush Tribute Project is set to play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 at Eagles Theatre. Most seats are either \$25 or \$35, with limited premium seating available for \$65. For more information, call 260-563-1102 or visit www.honeywellarts.org.

"The Rush Tribute Project is an homage to one of the most influential bands

in rock history," said Still. "Combining skilled musicianship with exciting performances, the Rush Tribute Project covers all 40-plus years of Rush's amazing career by painstakingly recreating the sound and energy with vintage instruments, clothes and sounds," said Still.

During a recent video interview, the members of the Rush Tribute Project took the time to speak about

their musical beginnings, the band that collectively inspired them and how they aim to please even the most discerning Rush fans.

Musical beginnings

Sean Jones is a classically trained multi-instrumentalist, "which comes in handy when needing to cover Geddy Lee," said manager Linda Gmach.

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Bestselling author Fajardo-Anstine to speak at Manchester on Monday, Sept. 19

By ANNE GREGORY

Author Kali Fajardo-Anstine will present "Living the Stories" at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19 in Cordier Auditorium at Manchester University North Manchester.

It is free and open to the public.

Her novel, Woman of Light, a cinematic, epic story of betrayal, love and fate spanning five generations of an indigenous Chicano family was released in

June and is a national best-seller. It was named one of the most anticipated books of 2022 by The Millions, Electric Lit, Lit Hub and Book Riot.

Fajardo-Anstine also wrote the story collection Sabrina & Corina, which places the lives of Latina women of indigenous descent living in the American West at the center of each story. She is a 2021 award winner from the American Academy of Arts

and Letters and a National Book Award finalist.

She will also do a free book reading and signing: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19 in the upper level of the Jo Young Switzer Center on the North Manchester campus.

Her speech is part of the Values, Ideas and the Arts series at Manchester.

Anne Gregory is the communications and media relations director for Manchester University.



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Waypoint Wabash recovery home for women to hold grand opening

Annual dodgeball tournament to benefit nonprofit also planned for November

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Years in the making, Waypoint Wabash, a substance use recovery home for women, will finally hold its grand opening later this month.

The open house of the new facility will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at 189 N. Wabash St., said Josiah White's Compass Rose Academy vice president of advancement Kevin Trotter.

"The public is invited to join the board, staff, donors,

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Square dance lessons available for beginners

North Manchester Belles and Beaus offering three weeks of classes

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

If you've ever thought you might like to try square dancing, your chance will arrive starting later this month.

Western square dance lessons are being offered this fall by the North Manchester Belles and Beaus Square Dance Club, said Rita Schroll.

Schroll said classes will be open to beginners from 4 to 6 p.m. for three consecutive Sundays on Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and Oct 9 in the Scout Hall in Warvel Park, 108 W. 7th St.,

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Friends of UWIS to hold sale of native plants and T-shirts on Sept. 17

STAFF REPORT

Stop in during the Founders Festival activities at R.P. Home & Harvest in Wabash, the old Big R location, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 at 1550 N. Cass St., according to interpretive manager Teresa Rody.

Friends of Upper Wabash Interpretive Services (UWIS) will join other vendors at R.P.'s Anniversary Event and will be representing two of its committees: Upper Wabash Invasive Networks (UWIN) and Power the Camp.

A variety of native plant starts will be available through UWIN for \$5 each. "UWIN encourages planting native species and fighting invasive species from our landscapes. UWIN holds public educational and hands-on workshops, and works specifically with landowners in Miami, Wabash and Huntington counties," said Rody.

T-shirt sales supporting the Power the Camp fundraiser will be available for \$20.

"Power the Camp is working to bring electricity to Salamonie Lake's Horsemen's Campground, located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area (SRA)," said Rody. "Face painting will also be offered."

TOP: T-shirt sales supporting the Power the Camp fundraiser will be available for \$20. **BOTTOM:** A variety of native plant starts will be available through UWIN for \$5 each.

Provided photos



Court rehears fight over vaccine mandate for federal workers

By KEVIN MCGILL
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — President Joe Biden has the same authority to impose a COVID-19 vaccine requirement on federal workers that private employers have for their employees, an administration lawyer told a federal appeals court Tuesday.

A lawyer for opponents of the vaccine requirement, which has been blocked nationwide by a federal judge in Texas, said the requirement imposes an "unconstitutionally intolerable choice" for executive branch workers — taking a vaccine they don't want or losing their jobs.

Judges on the appeals court meanwhile questioned how far the chief executive's authority goes, asking, theoretically, whether the president

could require employees to meet certain healthy body weights or forbid them from smoking at home.

It was the second time arguments on the issue were heard before the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. A three-judge panel of the same court had upheld the Biden requirement for executive branch workers, overturning the Texas judge.

But the full appeals court, currently with 16 active members, vacated the panel ruling and agreed to rehear the case. There was no indication when the court would rule.

Administration lawyers argue that the employees opposing the mandate should have taken their objections not to federal court but to a federal review board, in accordance with the Civil Service Reform Act. The administration also

argues that the president has the same authority, under the Constitution, as the CEO of a private corporation to require that employees be vaccinated.

Arguing for the government, Charles Scarborough of the Department of Justice, said the statute provides employees with "robust" remedies if they successfully challenge the requirement through the review board, including back pay if they are dismissed for not complying.

Addressing whether the president could impose body weight requirements on federal employees, Scarborough said the vaccine requirement is part of a mainstream effort to reduce the incidence of serious COVID-19 cases in the workplace, while a body weight requirement would be among "hypotheticals at the extremes."

5-Day Weather Summary

Wednesday Partly Cloudy 80 / 56	Thursday Sunny 83 / 59	Friday Sunny 84 / 61	Saturday Mostly Sunny 85 / 63	Sunday Sunny 86 / 65

Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 7:53 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:24 a.m.

Last 9/17	New 9/25	First 10/2	Full 10/9

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high of 80°, humidity of 58%. Light winds. Expect clear skies tonight, overnight low of 56°. Light winds. Thursday, skies will be sunny, high of 83°, humidity of 54%. East southeast wind 2 to 6 mph. Thursday night, skies will be clear, overnight low of 59°.

IN BRIEF

Friends of the NMPL to hold fall book sale

The Friends of the North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) will hold their fall book sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10 and Saturday, Oct. 1 at 405 N. Market St., North Manchester, according to a press release. For more information, call 260-982-4773 or visit nman.lib.in.us.

Honeywell House announces new lineup of events

STAFF REPORT

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment announced the addition of 10 new events to the Honeywell House lineup at 720 N. Wabash St. beginning in September, according to digital marketing manager Kaitlynn Still.

Reservations may be made by visiting www.honeywellarts.org or by calling 260-563-1102.

Tastes on the Terrace: 5 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday in September

"The beautiful outdoor Honeywell House terrace will be open for dining through September. Weekly menus will be available on the Honeywell House Facebook page. In case of rain, indoor seating will be available. Tastes on the Terrace is sponsored by Nancy Fisher with additional support provided by Richard Tucker," said Still.

Happenings in Wabash County: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4

"Do you wonder what is going on at the corner of Indiana 13 and Highway 24? Are you curious about what Imagine One 85 is about? Are you interested in things are happening and developing in Wabash County? Come hear Keith Gillenwater, president of Grow Wabash County, talk about all of these things and more. There will be a Q & A time also," said Still. "Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating."

Restoration of the Eel River of Northern Indiana – A Journey of Reconciliation with Nature: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25

"Jerry Sweeten will examine the cultural and natural history of the Eel River of northern Wabash County within the context of ecological restoration and research of the system over the past 20 years. The Eel River is a hidden gem of Wabash County with a rich

and robust natural history and a great place to kayak or canoe," said Still. "Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating."

Halloween at the House: Monday, Oct. 31

"Bring your ghosts, goblins and little angels by the House on Halloween for a spook and a treat. The House will be open during the official trick-or-treating hours posted in the newspaper. Halloween at the House is sponsored by Chittick Insurance," said Still.

The Victory Vertical Project: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10

"The Victory Vertical Project uses descriptive vignettes accompanied by piano music in many styles — classical, popular, boogie-woogie, jazz, and movie soundtracks — to bring to life a remarkable account of courage, solidarity, and the power of music. Garik Pedersen, a Steinway artist, performs music by a varied and extensive list of composers to provide fascinating, beautiful, and moving glimpses into the war that, more than any other, united us as a people with a common purpose. The Victory Vertical Project celebrates the power of music to lift morale, bring people together, provide physical and mental healing, and instill a profound sense of purpose. Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating," said Still.

Travels to Uzbekistan: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29

"Amy Ford, Melissa Ford-Kalbfell, and Erika Ford will share experiences and photos from their recent trip to this country in Central Asia. Learn a little about the history and culture of this fascinating country. Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating," said Still.

Christmas with Kris: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1

"Vocalist Kris Stephens and pianist Susan Van-

landingham will perform Christmas favorites including 'Sleigh Ride,' 'Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas,' 'Christmas Time Is Here,' 'It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year,' 'Gesu Bambino' and 'O Holy Night,'" said Still. "Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating."

Holiday Floral Arranging: 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 at the Charley Creek Gardens, 551 N. Miami St.

"Join us at the Charley Creek Gardens as Jennifer Love-George of Love Bug Floral leads us in creating a seasonal arrangement. Sponsored by Crossroads Bank, the workshop is \$35 per person and includes all materials," said Still.

Holiday Open House: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15

"Experience a beautifully adorned House, holiday music, and a program on the magic of Christmas décor. Mike Barnett and Brian Coe will share their expertise and interest in the art of decorating. Rick Elliott will continue the fun as he plays sounds of the season on the piano. A tour of the holiday-decorated rooms and a light dessert will follow. Admission is free, however, reservations are required due to limited seating," said Still.

Mark Honeywell Birthday Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, 2023

"Celebrate Mr. Honeywell's 148th birthday with an evening of Scottish music, dancing, food, and poetry. The dinner menu will include cock-a-leekie (chicken, leek, and rice soup) roast beef with neeps and tatties (mashed turnips and potatoes) and cranachan (raspberry trifle). The dinner is \$45 per person with tax and gratuity included," said Still.

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Obituaries

What if it does and they do?

Sea levels are rising as the polar ice caps melt and now it's clear why Republicans are in favor of global warming, it's a form of gerrymandering. It destroys the Democratic coasts and drives disheartened Manhattanites westward to wander lost and confused in Ohio, their sophistication shredded, their street smarts useless.

The Obamas will lose their place on Cape Cod and move to Omaha. Ms. Ocasio-Cortez will wind up in Topeka and go back to bartending. The fashion industry will move to Des Moines and polyester plaids will make a big comeback. Broadway will, of course, settle in Oklahoma – where else?

My love and I live on the 12th floor of a building on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, which won't be so upper much longer and so we're thinking of buying a kayak so we can still make it to Zabar's when the streets are flooded. We'll paddle around the little islands that used to be Central Park and the Bel-



vedere Castle to look in the Guggenheim, which will be turned into a water slide, and when Zabar's closes with its fabulous cheese section where a shopper gains weight simply by inhaling, then we'll order a chopper to lift us off the roof and wave goodbye to the old life and be flown to Pittsburgh to fly back to Minnesota. One chapter ends, another begins.

As you can see (to your horror) I am rather benign about the Union of Righteous Republican States (URRS) that the rising seas will create. I face the prospect with equanimity, same as I face the prospect of a monsoon or a ban on Pearson's Salted Nut Rolls or my laptop computer being crushed under the wheels of a truck, because I am newly out of the OR with a beautiful scar on my chest, I'm walking with a cane, and to me everything is miraculous, walking, conversation, meatloaf, oatmeal, sunshine, prune juice, my daughter's voice on the phone, even the voice of Tri my physical therapist telling me to stand on one foot with my eyes closed for fifteen seconds. It's all good.

It helps to be eighty, with a treasury of interesting regrets I can examine if

I choose. It also helps to know that a pig saved my life, the donor of a mitral valve, mine having sprung a leak. I dreamed of her last night, singing to me from hog heaven:

I gave you a new lease on life
Gave you a brand-new start
Other people are on your mind
But I am there in your heart
I gave you a piece of my heart, baby
Enjoy the sweet sunshine
Roll in the mud, it's there in your blood,
The part of your heart that's mine.

This mitral valve is working very well, according to the Mayo Clinic, and when a pig part is what keeps you going, it is an everyday miracle you never forget.

It also helps to be married to my wife. I'm not a New Yorker, she is, though she was born in the same dinky hospital in Minnesota that I emerged from, but I grew up in a basement, which I took to mean abasement, and she grew up in a home with classics on the shelves and she played violin and listened to Sibelius and Brahms, all of which turned her head eastward. I only went there for the money: The New York-

er was a magazine that paid real dough. In 1974 they paid me \$6,000 for a piece about the Grand Ole Opry and I took up a life of self-amusement. Meanwhile, she, a true artist, lived in poverty in tiny fifth-floor walk-ups with three roommates and two cats and heroin addicts sleeping in the entry so that she could play great music. She went for Bach, I went for the bucks. We are opposites who pair up well.

And now, thinking of the life of Elizabeth II, a life of devotion to inherited duty, we see the merits of fidelity and soldiering on. The British Commonwealth shrank severely during her long reign and she remained the same gracious lady, riding in the carriage, waving. Brits of fiercely opposing views could look on her with affection and respect.

And so if the oceans rise and mountains fall and we have mandatory prayer in schools and election of the president by state legislatures and there is a life-size portrait of Himself in every post office, I shall still pledge allegiance to the flag and to the Republicans for whom it stands.

Garrison Keillor is the author of two new books, "Lake Wobegon Virus" and "That Time of Year (a memoir)."

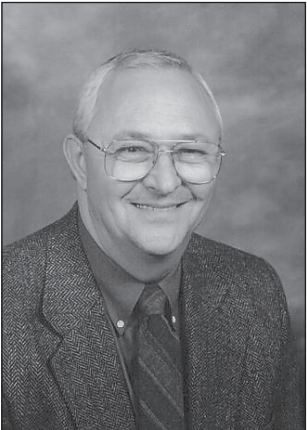
Richard ‘Rich’ Edwin Davis

Aug. 16, 1941 – Sept. 10, 2022

Richard “Rich” Edwin Davis, 81, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 11:15 pm, Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022, at Bickford Cottage in Wabash. He was born on Aug. 16, 1941, in Beech Grove, Indiana, to Edwin “Jack” and Virginia E. (Spoon) Davis.

Rich was a 1959 graduate of Mooresville High School, graduated from Indiana Barber College and barbered professionally from 1960-1966, and received his B.S. and his Master's degrees from Indiana State University. Rich married Sandra K. Van Hoy in Mooresville on June 30, 1963. He was a US Army veteran serving from 1967-1969. Rich was the director at Josiah White's for 24 years, was a missionary in Kenya, East Africa, as Principal of Friends Theological College, was on the pastoral staff at Wabash Friends Church from 2004-2012, and from 2012-2020 he was an employee at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service. He was a member of the Wabash Friends Church. Rich enjoyed his kids and grandkids, and he never knew a stranger. Rich also enjoyed reading, traveling, golfing, and could hit a 3 point jump shot until a few years ago. He was a die hard Boston Celtics, St. Louis Cardinals, and Indiana Hoosiers fan.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra K. Davis of Wabash, three children, Brad A. (Amanda) Davis of Angola, Indiana, Todd R. (Erin) Davis of Anderson, Indiana, Kristin L. (Joe) Tatham of Zebulon, Georgia, six grandchildren,



SheaLah Davis, Lexi Satkowiak, Jaxon Davis, Caleb Davis, Lyndi Satkowiak, and Jady Davis, brother, John W. (Mary) Davis of Wabash, and family friend, Phil (Shelly) Boone of Wabash. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am, Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, at Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S. State Road 13, Wabash, with David Phillips, Brandon Eaton, and Phil Boone officiating. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2:00 – 8:00 pm, Wednesday, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash.

Preferred memorials are Wabash Friends Church, Josiah White's, and/or Friends Theological College of Friends United Meetings, in Kenya.

The memorial guest book for Rich may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

The Davis family would like to thank the Bickford Cottage staff for their professional care in their care of Rich.

James Leland Huffman

April 22, 1934 – Sept. 12, 2022

James Leland Huffman, 88, of Roann, Indiana, died at 5:15 pm, Monday, Sept. 12, 2022, at his home. He was born on April 22, 1934, in North Manchester, Indiana, to Cecil and Orma (Kiem) Huffman.

Jim was a 1952 graduate of Roann High School. He married Connie Haag at the Roann United Methodist Church parsonage on November 26, 1952. Jim retired from Container Corporation in Wabash after 40 years and also worked 20 years at Jellystone Campground in Piercetown, Indiana. He attended the Roann United Methodist Church, and was a former Boy Scout leader. Jim enjoyed golfing, fishing, woodworking, camping, and especially his family.

He is survived by his wife, Connie Huffman of Roann, four children, Karen (Lance) Simmons of Lakewood,

California, Douglas (Carol) Huffman of Amarillo, Texas, Cheryl Pletch and Stacey (Sean) Bone, both of Wabash, seven grandchildren; Jolie (Tyler) Cook, Abbie (Mark) Warrick, Josh (Terra) Huffman, Indie (Ryan) Hall, Evan Pletch, Eli Bone, Emma Bone, twelve great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, Bob Huffman and Chuck Huffman.

Friends may call 4:00 – 7:00 pm, Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Roann Chapel, 335 S. Chipewa Street, Roann. Private family services and burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery, Roann.

Preferred memorial is Roann Covered Bridge Association.

The memorial guest book for Jim may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.



EU lawmakers support ban of goods linked to deforestation

By SAMUEL PETREQUIN
Associated Press

ed land anywhere in the world,” the Parliament said.

“Acknowledging that the EU is responsible for around 10 percent of global deforestation, we have no choice but to ramp up our efforts to halt global deforestation,” said Christophe Hansen, the lawmaker in charge of the Parliament’s report.

In addition, MEPs proposed that banks and financial institutions should be covered by the law to prevent them from investing in projects linked to deforestation.

“This could be the beginning of the end of the money pipeline that is destroying forests around the world – but only if national governments across the EU step up and support this plan to make European banks deforestation-free in negotiations on the final law,” said Giulia Bondi, from Global Witness campaigning group.

Deforestation in South America, Africa and Asia is driven mainly by agricultural expansion.

Quoting data from the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, the EU Parliament said that some 420 million hectares of forest were lost to deforestation between 1990 and 2020. This is an area larger than the EU.

The European Commission, which proposes EU laws and supervises the way they are enacted, suggested last year that the legislation covered soy, cattle, palm oil, wood, cocoa and coffee.

Under the position adopted Tuesday, lawmakers also want to include pig meat, sheep and goats, poultry, maize and rubber, as well as charcoal and printed paper products.

“MEPs also want companies to verify that goods

are produced in accordance with human rights provisions in international law and respect the rights of indigenous people,” the Parliament said.

Environmental group Greenpeace praised the result of the vote.

“Nobody wants to worry that their weekly shop might be linked to death and destruction – the vote today is a big step towards breaking that link,” said Greenpeace EU forest campaigner Sini Eräjä.

At the U.N.’s climate conference, COP26, last year, over 100 nations representing more than 85 percent of the world’s forests pledged to halt and reverse deforestation by 2030. Among them were several countries with massive forests, including Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Indonesia, Russia and the United States.

Sailor killed at Pearl Harbor is laid to rest

By DON BABWIN
Associated Press

of Grayslake, for the family that never had a body to bury when he was killed and the scientific quest to put names to the remains of hundreds of personnel from the battleship who lay buried anonymously for decades in a dormant volcanic crater near Pearl Harbor.

It is a story of waiting.

The battleship remained submerged for two years before it was refloated and bodies were recovered. A few years later, the graves of men on the Oklahoma were reopened in the hopes that dental records might lead to their names. But 27 sets of remains were not identified and had to be reinterred at the crater, the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu, commonly known as the Punchbowl.

Another effort to identify about 100 sets of remains came up empty in 2003.

In 2015, the Department of Defense announced plans to exhume the remains again.

“We now have the ability to forensically test these remains and produce the identifications,” Debra Prince Zinni, a forensic anthropologist and laboratory manager at the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency in Hawaii, told The Associated Press at the time.

That gave new hope to Jacobson family members,

who had been disappointed by each failed effort. They told the AP that Jacobson’s mother cried every Dec. 7, at least in part because she never knew where he was.

“She always had the hope the phone would ring and it would be Bert,” McDonald said.

The 2015 effort, Project Oklahoma, has led to the identification of 355 men – including Jacobson – who were killed when their ship was hit by at least nine torpedoes. That leaves 33 sets of remains still to be identified. To mark the 80th anniversary of the attack, those unidentified remains were reinterred, said Gene Hughes, a public affairs officer with Navy Personnel Command. He has worked with the families of those killed on the Oklahoma, including Jacobson’s relatives.

For Jacobson’s family, any hope they would know exactly what happened on Dec. 7, 1941, faded long ago. All they knew from talking to Jacobson’s shipmates was that he had just come off duty after spending several hours ferrying men to shore.

McDonald said a good friend of his uncle from the Navy said he was pretty sure Jacobson “was asleep in his bunk and died before he even knew a war was going on. But we don’t really know.”

That left one final question: What happened to Bert Jacobson’s body?

The answer came in 2019, when McDonald said the family was notified that Jacobson’s remains had been identified. Hoping the burial could take place the next year, they were forced to wait, in large part because the COVID-19 pandemic delayed most gatherings, funerals included.

Now, they have gotten the closure that Jacobson’s parents and other family members never had.

“I wish they could have seen this,” McDonald said of his grandparents, parents and others.

For him, seeing the funeral for the uncle he never met take his place at Arlington is especially significant.

“When Bert joined the Navy, he ran into a fella from South Dakota who was an orphan,” McDonald said. “When they got a weekend pass, Bert took him home and the orphan met his (Bert’s) younger sister.”

Orville McDonald and Norma Jacobson dated and later married, giving McDonald a favorite ending to that story.

“That orphan was my dad, and Bert’s sister was my mom,” he said. “So, I wouldn’t be here without Bert.”

Loretta Ann Loyd Heflin

Sept. 5, 2022 – June 29, 1936

Loretta Ann Loyd Heflin, 86, of North Manchester, IN, passed away on Monday, Sept. 5, 2022. Loretta was born to the late Karl Loyd and Thelma Bell Loyd on June 29, 1936, in Elwood, IN.

Loretta was a member of the North Manchester Missionary Church. Her relationship with God was first and her family was second. She Expressed her love to her family with her wonderful cooking and baking skills, along with sewing and quilting beautiful items for them. She was an avid reader with the Bible being her book of choice. She loved playing cards, euchre being her favorite. She was loved by many and will be missed.

Loretta is survived by

her children; Scott (Trina) Heflin, Laura (Robert) Heflin Cole, siblings; Nyla Maurine Dawson, Sue Loyd, grandchildren; Paige (Austin) Cole Boggs, Hannah (Stephen) Cole Gute, Zachary Heflin, and great-grandson; Bennett Robert Boggs. Loretta is preceded in death by her husband; James L. Heflin, daughter; Jill Heflin, siblings; Karla Elston, Fred Loyd, grandchildren; Emily Cole and Calab Cole.

Services will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022 at North Manchester Missionary Church 806 IN-114, North Manchester, IN 46962, at 1:00 PM, with Visitation taking place from 11:00 AM till time of Service. Services Entrusted to Indiana Funeral Care



Judith ‘Judy’ Murphy

Nov. 10, 1935 – Sept. 11, 2022

Judith “Judy” Murphy, 86, North Manchester, died September 11, 2022. She was born in Howard County, on November 10, 1935, to Woodrow and Helen (Greene) French.

Judy is survived by her husband, Richard A. Poel; sons, Michael (Lark) Murphy and Chad (Carrie) Murphy; daughters, Lisa Poel and Janine (Scott) McClain; brothers, Lonnie (Elsie) French and

Danny (Mary) French; sister, Joyce Kashima; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Calling Saturday, September 17, 2022, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the South Pleasant Church, 5064 West 1400 North, Silver Lake. A celebration of Judy's life will begin at 11:00.

Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

Panel: Archives still not certain it has all Trump records

By FARNOUSH AMIRI
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The National Archives is still not certain that it has custody of all Donald Trump’s presidential records even after the FBI search of his Mar-a-Lago club, a congressional committee said in a letter Tuesday.

The House Committee on Oversight and Reform revealed that staff at the Archives on an Aug. 24 call could not provide assurances that they have all of Trump’s presidential records. The committee in the letter asked the Archives to conduct an assessment of whether any Trump records remain unaccounted for and potentially in his possession.

“In light of revelations that Mr. Trump’s representatives misled investigators about his continued possession of government property and that material found at his club included dozens of ‘empty folders’ for classified material, I am deeply concerned that sensitive presidential records may remain out of the control and custody of the U.S. Government,” Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., the chairwoman of the Oversight Committee, wrote in the let-



Mary Altaffer / AP

Former President Donald Trump speaks at a rally in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on Sept. 3.

ter.

The House committee has jurisdiction over the Presidential Records Act, a 1978 law that requires the preservation of White House documents as property of the U.S. government. The request is the latest development in a monthslong back-and-forth between the agency and the committee, which has been investigating Trump’s handling of records.

The request also comes weeks after the FBI recovered more than 100 documents with classified markings and even more than 10,000 other government documents from

Trump’s Mar-a-Lago estate. The search came after lawyers for Trump provided a sworn certification that all government records had been returned.

Maloney and other Democratic lawmakers on the panel have been seeking a briefing from the National Archives, but haven’t received one due to the Justice Department’s ongoing criminal investigation into the matter.

But the letter notes a call between Archives staff and the committee on Aug. 24, where lawmakers were informed that documents could still be missing.

WAYPOINT

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and volunteers of Waypoint as they celebrate Waypoint’s grand opening,” said Trotter. “Guests at the open house will have the opportunity to tour the home and learn more about Waypoint’s mission.”

Trotter said after nearly three years of renovation, “this historic home will soon provide safe and structured housing for women in recovery as they work to rebuild their lives.”

“After all the hard work, it is exciting to be able to finally reveal to our community the new Waypoint recovery home,” said executive director Marilyn Custer-Mitchell. “This home will provide hope and a safe place for women in Wabash and surrounding counties to continue their recovery from substance use. We are blessed with a strong,

community-centered board and have had phenomenal support from so many.”

Trotter said Waypoint “exists to provide a safe, structured, and stable environment for people recovering from substance use and disorder and its mission is to serve as a waypoint between chaos and living free in safety and structure.”

Also, in November, the annual Waypoint Dodgeball Tournament has been planned for November, said Sarah Lochner.

“Waypoint, a nonprofit organization in Wabash, is a transitional living recovery residence for women. Established in 2021, Waypoint is set to accept its first residents in fall 2022,” said Lochner. “The residence ... has undergone extensive renovations since summer of 2020 to be prepared to welcome the first residents. A collaborative effort between Waypoint and

Indiana Landmarks, the historical home will house up to 12 women as they move from a life of chaos to living free in safety and structure.”

The dodgeball tournament will start at 5:30 p.m. when the coaches meet before the 6 p.m. start time and 6:30 p.m. match time on Saturday, Nov. 4 on Miami Street.

Lochner said the event will occur “rain or shine” with “no back-up date” and “no refunds.”

“Waypoint officials are excited to announce that UNDAUNTED Leadership, Coaching and Wholeness is the 2022 title sponsor for the second annual Waypoint Dodgeball Tournament,” said Lochner.

Lochner said the fundraising tournament will be held in conjunction with November’s First Friday in downtown Wabash.

Lochner said the 2022 tour-

BOOSTER

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getting the new COVID-19 booster when they schedule their annual flu shot and make protecting themselves against COVID-19 part of their annual healthcare strategy.”

The Pfizer bivalent booster is authorized for individuals age 12 and older, while the Moderna bivalent booster is available to individuals age 18 and older. Individuals are eligible to receive an updated booster so long as it has been at least two months since they received their last booster dose or completed their primary vaccine series.

Online scheduling for boosters is expected to be available later this month.

“Booster doses have been shown to increase protection from hospitalization and death due to COVID-19,” stated the ISDH.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, the ISDH reported the 162nd COVID-19 death in Wabash County. The latest local death was recorded by the ISDH on Sunday, Aug. 17. It was the third reported COVID-19 death in August in Wabash County after the 160th was recorded Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Meanwhile, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which had recently rated Wabash County’s community spread level as being high,

downgraded that assessment to low as of Tuesday, Sept. 13.

On Friday, July 1, the ISDH announced that the public may now schedule COVID-19 vaccine appointments for children through age 5 by visiting www.our-shot.in.gov.

Appointments are available for individuals seeking the Moderna vaccine for children ages 6 months through 5 years and the Pfizer vaccine for children ages 6 months through 4 years on the state’s scheduling platform.

The ISDH stated they had updated its map to show sites that are offering vaccines for this age group. Appointments are recommended due to vaccine and provider availability. Individuals also can call 211 for assistance or contact their child’s healthcare provider to determine if they are offering the vaccines.

However, as of this week, the ISDH lists none of them in Wabash County.

“Our website map shows sites that are publicly available,” said ISDH media relations coordinator Megan Wade-Taxter in response to a Plain Dealer request on Wednesday, July 13. “However, private healthcare providers also may have the vaccine for this age group but are not listed on the site because they serve existing patients. We encourage parents to check with their child’s

private healthcare provider to see whether they have doses for those ages 6 months to 5 years.”

On May 20, the ISDH announced that Hoosiers ages 5 to 11 are eligible for a booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. On March 30, the ISDH announced that Hoosiers age 12 and older who have weakened immune systems and individuals age 50 and older who received a booster dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine at least four months ago are eligible for a second booster. Now, the ISDH is advising vaccine providers that they may also begin administering boosters of the Pfizer pediatric vaccine to children ages 5 to 11 whose last dose was administered at least five months ago.

According to the ISDH, in Wabash County, there are four vaccination locations available including Walgreens, 487 N. Cass St.; CVS Pharmacy, 486 N. Cass St.; Kroger Pharmacy, 1309 N. Cass St.; and Wal-Mart Pharmacy, 1601 N. Cass St. The Kroger Pharmacy location is vaccinating children ages 5 to 11, and individuals 12-plus. To schedule appointments at this location, call 866-211-5320.

For more information, visit www.health.in.gov.

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RUSH

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“He has played nationally and internationally in various Rush tributes over the past 20 years, including playing for RushCon and touring army bases in Kuwait,” said Gmach. “Along with Geddy, some of Sean’s biggest bass influences include Chris Squire and John Entwistle, all of whom incorporated keyboards, synth pedals, guitars, and other instruments into their performances.”

Jones said he has been performing since a teen and “has not stopped.”

Bill Heck is a 37-year veteran of guitar “and has been playing at some level since childhood,” said Gmach.

“Bill was the proud recipient of the Wisconsin Area Music Industry (WAMI) Award for best guitarist in 2017,” said Gmach. “He has always been heavily influenced by guitar-hero rock, hard rock, and metal, but always considered Rush and Alex Lifeson as a primary force behind his love for guitar playing. Bill could be considered the ‘new guy’ in The Rush Tribute Project as he had to go through the heavy scrutiny of auditioning for the band, but has happily been a member of Rush Tribute Project since its beginnings over eight years ago.”

Heck said he was an “ex-

remely late bloomer when it comes to playing professionally.”

Heck said he had been playing in this band for 10 years, never full time, but as a “serious hobby.”

Thomas Slawnik is the percussionist and has been with Rush Tribute Project since the start in 2013, said Gmach.

“Thomas started banging the drums at the young age of 4 and hasn’t stopped since,” said Gmach. “He has performed with several Milwaukee bands since the late ‘70s. Thomas’ influences include Neil Peart and Scott Rockenfield. His current drum kit is a ‘Frankenstein’ collection of drums and cymbals which include DW drums, Zildjian and Sabian cymbals and various electronics. The kit is influenced by Rush’s R30 tour kit. When he’s not on tour, Thomas spends his free time with his daughter Ina, and enjoys golf, bike rides and a good IPA.”

Slawnick said he tries to keep his drumming as close to Peart’s as possible.

“He basically taught me so I try to do whatever he does. And it just amazes me how much stamina he had for an old guy to play three hours of that type of music at full force. It hurts a lot,” said Slawnick.

Jones said he was in a band in the ‘90s that “had a couple of CDs out” and “played regionally,” but not much more. Jones said even in the

‘90s he also played in a wedding band to keep working as a musician full time.

“In this part of the Midwest, cover bands are far more popular than original music, just about anywhere you go,” said Jones. “If you want to make any kind of money at all, you’re going to play in a cover band.”

Rush’s sound

Jones said unlike some tribute bands, they don’t focus just on one period of the band they’re covering.

“None of us are married to any one time period of Rush,” said Jones. “We can play a lot of deep cuts that we wanted. We’re not limited in that sense.”

To get the sound right, the band uses as close to the original as possible. Jones said he uses vintage basses, including Rickenbacker and a Fender Jazz Bass, in addition to a double-neck bass.

“The sounds, to us, were really where it all started. Trying to get everything as close as we can,” said Jones. “The goal is to recreate as much as possible.”

Jones said there are three kinds of Rush fans.

“There’s fans that know a couple songs, there’s fans that know a lot of the hits

and are really into it and there’s the cult members. And for those guys, they know. They’ll know when we make a mistake,” said Jones. “A Rush show is a full, visual, multi-media experience. Having all that together in one package, as well as music that sounds like it’s supposed to sounds, is what we really kind of go for.”

Fan reaction

Heck said they often encounter skepticism from some of the more hardcore Rush fans, at least initially.

“It starts with a lot of arms crossed, and by the end, they’re having a good time,” said Heck.

Jones said it often takes audiences a few songs to realize if they’re actually playing and singing.

“We’ve had people ask if we were playing along with a tape or something like that,” said Jones. “We have a saying as far as the band goes that we play about 300,000 notes in a night and we’re going to play about 270,000 of them correct, and the others are, well, that’s going to happen.”

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DANCE

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North Manchester. The cost per lesson is \$3.00 and the first lesson is free.

Schroll said club caller Jerry Davidson will be the instructor.

“Square dancing is great for those who don’t like to exercise but want the health benefits,” said Schroll. “It’s a fun way to work out and is a positive alternative to aerobics or jogging. It is also an opportunity to develop a more positive outlook through new friendships. Now is the time to try something new and add some healthy enjoyment to your life.”

Meanwhile, the North Manchester Belles and Beaus Square Dance Club are celebrating 50 years of existence this year with a celebration at their Sunday, Sept. 18 dance, said Schroll.

Club dances are now held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month – from September through December, and from February through June – at Scout Hall.

Schroll said in June 1972, a group of 22 couples had the idea to start a square

dance club.

Schroll said in December 1972, Janiece Davis was hired to be the round dance caller.

Schroll said for many years, dances were held from 7 to 10 p.m. on the second and fourth Friday nights of the month, September through April.

Schroll said in the beginning, cake walks were held at most dances to help increase the club’s treasury, and once a Tupperware party was held for the same cause.

Schroll said the Belles and Beaus Square Dance Club soon became a traveling banner club to increase attendance at the bi-monthly dances, and much time was spent on the road retrieving banners from area clubs.

Schroll said throughout the years, many special dances were held, oftentimes bringing in national callers.

Schroll said the Belles and Beaus became famous for their Hawaiian Luau which were held from 1984 to 1993.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

Proverbs 12:19

Queen Elizabeth’s legacy is a lesson for all of us – even in America

After seven decades on the throne, Queen Elizabeth II, the world’s longest reigning monarch, died Thursday.

At 96 years old and recently in poor health, her death shouldn’t come as a surprise to anyone. And yet, her permanence and longevity as the figurehead who reigned over what was once the world’s greatest empire and had become one of the United States’ greatest allies, is shocking nonetheless. Even half a world away, in the red rocks of the Mojave Desert, it is hard to imagine a United Kingdom without the only queen that most of us have ever known.

But it was not simply her longevity that instilled the permanent image of Elizabeth in our mind’s eye. While any comparison between the unlikely queen and Britain’s historic prime ministers must be measured, given the clear differences in duties, responsibilities, and legal authority, Elizabeth stood out in the crowd for her measured dignity. Unlike Winston Churchill, the prime minister who dominated most of Elizabeth’s early reign; or Boris Johnson, who blustered through Downing Street at the end of her reign, Elizabeth II carried herself always with a sense of dignity, duty and virtuousness that allowed her to escape the scandalous headlines that so often followed the rest of the royal family, including previous monarchs.

By staying above the fray, she successfully helped the UK navigate the treacherous waters of a post-colonial empire in decline and through the emotional turmoil of a difficult divorce from the European Union.

While Queen Elizabeth always

maintained a certain sense of decorum, part of the love and loyalty younger generations now feel for her was due to her willingness to participate, at least to some extent, in youth and pop culture.

In 1963, she invited the Beatles, a band of boisterous mop-top rock and rollers who were, at the time, largely unknown outside of Britain, to play at the Queen’s Royal Variety Performance. Paul McCartney made a second appearance in front of the matriarch of Windsor in 1997, when she knighted him and kicked off a new tradition of honoring the UK’s best and brightest musical artists.

Other forays into pop culture include her 2008 public embrace of the Nintendo Wii, a 2012 purchase of Andy Warhol’s famous pop-culture portraits of her for the Royal Collection – just in time for her Diamond Jubilee – and her 2012 skydiving stunt with Daniel Craig’s James Bond to kick off the London Olympics.

In addition to her attempts to connect to youth, Elizabeth also embraced her role as a feminist of sorts. While she inherited a monarchical system that favored men and treated women as the exception, she regularly broke with gender-based stereotypes. This is not to say she was without flaws or even that she would have described herself using the term “feminist.” Yet she regularly broke gender norms and expectations, especially within the context of the decades in which she reigned.

When she ascended to the throne, she kept her own family name rather than taking her husband’s. Despite having the legal authority to change

the orders of precedence, she always required her husband to walk behind her. She was the only female member of the royal family to enter the armed services. And was, until Thursday, the only living head of state to serve in World War II.

Having served as an army driver during the war, she developed a love for driving and continued this interest late into her life. She was known to get behind the wheel of her royal land rover and take visiting heads of state on a tour of the castle grounds.

A British ambassador even suggested that the queen went out of her way to drive more aggressively along the narrow roads of Balmoral, Scotland, when then Saudi crown prince (and future king) Abdullah bin Abdulaziz paid a visit in 1997. According to the Ambassador, the Queen was motivated to lead the tour herself, in part by Saudi law that prohibits women from driving.

While these moments are fun to remember and are part of the complex tapestry that was Queen Elizabeth II, they are also the moments that we hope will most powerfully define what Britain becomes now that Elizabeth has passed.

In just two days, the UK has experienced the departure of its political leader – Johnson, who resigned – and now, its ceremonial leader, Queen Elizabeth. The result is that for the first time since 1952, a woman will not sit upon the throne of Buckingham Palace (that honor now falls to Charles III), and for only the third time in history, a woman, Liz Truss, will sit in the office of the Prime Minister. Joining Truss will be her deputy prime minister, Theresa Coffey, and

the new chief Tory whip, Wendy Morton.

That means more women will be in government high offices than ever before, and the average age of the most important positions in British government will drop by more than a decade. This transformation is less certain to have occurred in the absence of seven decades of stable, respected leadership by an unlikely queen, adored by many citizens of the empire across multiple generations.

While there are many fair critiques of her leadership and actions, Queen Elizabeth II modeled how a symbolic leader can shape society by balancing the interests of stability and conservative tradition, with the need to evolve and improve to meet current realities. She recognized that fulfilling her duties might sometimes mean following tradition, while at other times might mean getting behind the wheel of a Land Rover and taking a foreign head of state for a woman-led joyride.

These are lessons the U.S. could benefit from. There is a time for tradition and decorum. There is a time for non-conformity and breaking with tradition. But in all things, we should carry ourselves with dignity and steady composure.

Other lessons from the empire under the reign of Elizabeth are less positive. We have written critiques of her in the past, and are likely to do so in the future, as her legacy will extend even beyond her death. But there can be no question that she was a largely beloved leader whose legacy will endure well into the future. May she rest in peace.

This editorial was first published in the Las Vegas Sun.



LETTERS

Democracy is on the ballot on Nov. 8

There is a national effort to take over elections by putting election deniers in charge of them. Consider Democratic candidate Destiny Scott Wells for Secretary of State. She doesn’t want to limit early voting or take away qualifiers for absentee voting by mail. Her Trumpy opponent does.

Our incumbent senator has put party over country time and time again. Consider Democratic candidate Tom McDermott for the U.S. Senate. He doesn’t think we need military-style assault rifles in our communities, and he will vote to codify Roe v. Wade as the law of the land.

If you wonder why your politicians are ignoring you, it’s because the Supreme Court’s ruling in Citizens United lets money from undisclosed fat cats or dark money talk louder than you and every other voter. But you can change that. Democracy is on the ballot on Nov. 8. Everyone’s choice is at stake. Vote smart. Reverse Citizen’s United.

**Doug and Susan Davis
Bloomington**

Benefits and costs of education

Colleges and universities started Class a couple weeks ago. I am hopeful the nation will see a slight bump in enrollment following the deep COVID declines. Many students stayed home during COVID, while others took advantage of rising wages for high school graduates. These facts make it a good time to outline the benefits and costs of a college education. These benefits are both private and public.

The public benefits to education are straightforward. States and cities with a higher share of adults who’ve graduated college are more prosperous, grow faster and have less volatile recessions. These benefits extend to residents who’ve not been to college. Indeed, the best economic opportunities for people without a college degree are in cities with lots of college graduates. This is one reason the most or prosperous states spend the most on education, and vice versa.

There’s a private benefit to education as well, which is why everyone should pay some part of their college degree. There is also a cost to attending college. These costs can be divided into two broad categories that will be surprising to many readers.

The first and most obvious cost of college is the tuition, books, fees and technology expense of college. This varies by student and school. For a student without any scholarship support, a good state university will cost perhaps \$8,000 to \$10,000 per year. Private schools will be more costly. Generally, low-income students and those with good academic performance receive scholarships of some type, which reduces this cost substantially. The more the state spends on tuition support, the higher the levels of scholarships, and the more students

Michael Hicks



receive them.

Room and board shouldn’t really be viewed as a college expense, unless you were going to be homeless and skip all your meals if you didn’t go to college.

The second and largest cost of college is the income you defer while in school. This is the opportunity cost of college. A young person going to college instead of working full time at \$15 an hour gives up \$30,000 per year in earnings. So, a year of education would cost a typical student maybe \$10,000 in tuition, books, fees and technology such as a computer. Lost earnings from attending college are more like \$30,000 per year.

Of course, many students work full-time or part-time jobs while enrolled. I employ several of these students. Families subsidize room, board and transportation. These expenses aren’t really a cost of college, but may be paid for through borrowing if a student cannot work. Here in Indiana, the state contributes another \$6,000 per student, which mostly covers some of the direct costs for poorer students.

For students, the hourly direct cost of sitting in a classroom is under \$13 per hour. This is less expensive than watching Top Gun at a theater. While I cannot speak for everyone, my class is a lot more entertaining. Putting these expenses all together and adjusting for the time value of money yields a cost of a four-year degree of perhaps \$150,000. Individual experiences may vary.

For the average college graduate, the benefits of college are in the \$1.4 million range over a lifetime of earnings.

Adjusting these for the time value of money makes this benefit today worth roughly \$350,000. So, for the vast majority of students, college is among the best financial investments they will ever make. That has been the case for a couple centuries, and likely will be for a few more.

However, the choice of major also matters. Those in higher demand, such as engineering, computer science, economics and finance, pay at the top of the earnings scale. There are other majors for which an undergraduate degree offers little wage premium over a high school degree. However, for a substantial number of students, these majors are merely intermediate steps to graduate school. Calculating the benefits of a philosophy or English degree without considering graduate education is nonsense.

A better way of thinking about the returns to college comes from evaluating not only the average incomes of majors, but the variance of earnings. For example, in acting, there may be a few extraordinarily well-compensated graduates. There will be many poorly paid graduates. In accounting or civil engineering, every graduate has a decent job, but there are few superstar earners. Thinking about college as an investment would mean thinking about the average salary of a major and the variance of earnings.

The newest data on college graduates through the pandemic shows a sharp increase in computer science and other STEM degrees. The same data also shows an even sharper decline in humanities. English, history and religious studies are down 50 percent from their peak around 2010. The biggest declines came in the past two years.

Some of these data miss the ‘blending’ more students and colleges are now crafting with degrees. The best example I recall is a student of mine who double-majored in acting and economics, wishing to ensure a career in theater on and off the stage. It is easy to see how double majors such as computer science and philosophy could open a wide range of careers for a student.

My hunch is that ‘pure’ graduates in one major will be replaced by students studying intensively in one or more areas of concentration. Some Ivy League schools are experimenting with this approach, suggesting it will soon be more mainstream. It is worth noting that this isn’t really new. Unique college majors were a creation of the late 19th century.

Choosing a major is dependent upon some interest and aptitude, but most people can perform more academic work than they feel is possible. However, students who lack preparation in high school will often fail at the majors they prefer. The rigor of high schools is well understood by college admissions officers, which is why you want high schools to be challenging. Too few actually are.

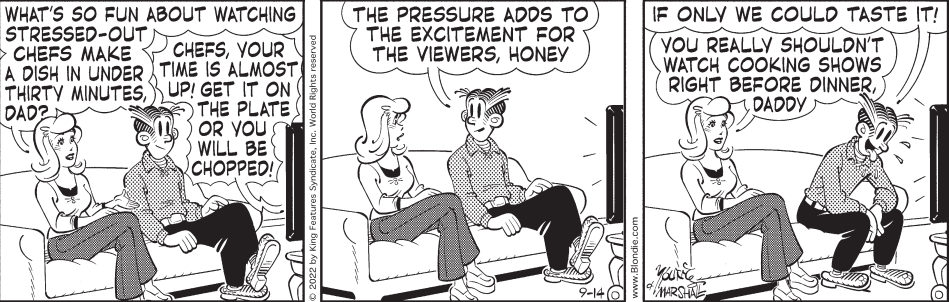
These are difficult things to consider when attending college, and I think it is folly to suppose most teenagers know what line of work they wish to do for the next half century. That is another strong argument for a broad or what used to be called a “liberal” education. It makes sense today for most young people to pursue a marketable career out of college. But, it is even more important to have flexible, lifelong skills rather than just preparation for that first job.

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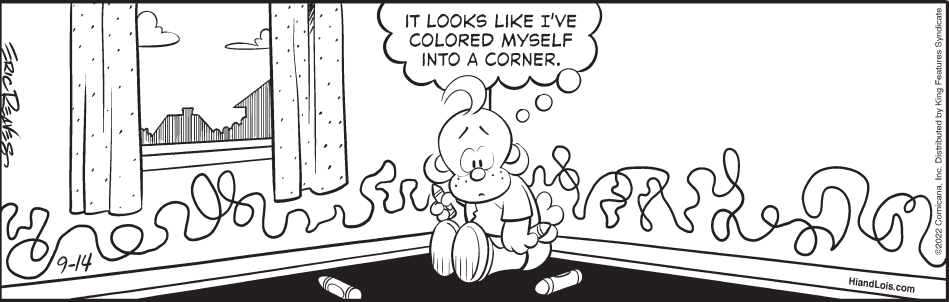
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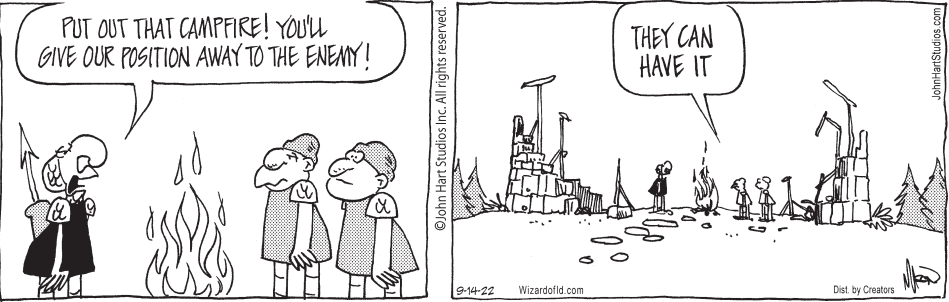
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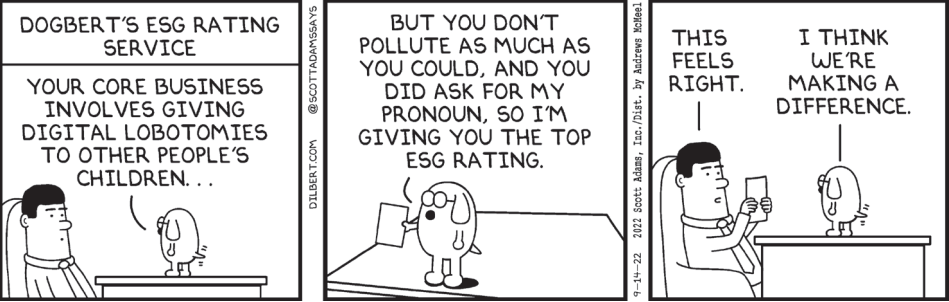
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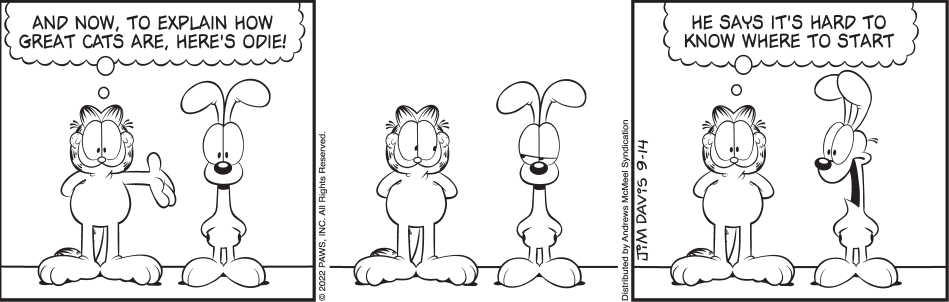
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

Today's solution

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8	8	6	7	9	2	1	7	9
7	9	9	6	8	1	8	7	9
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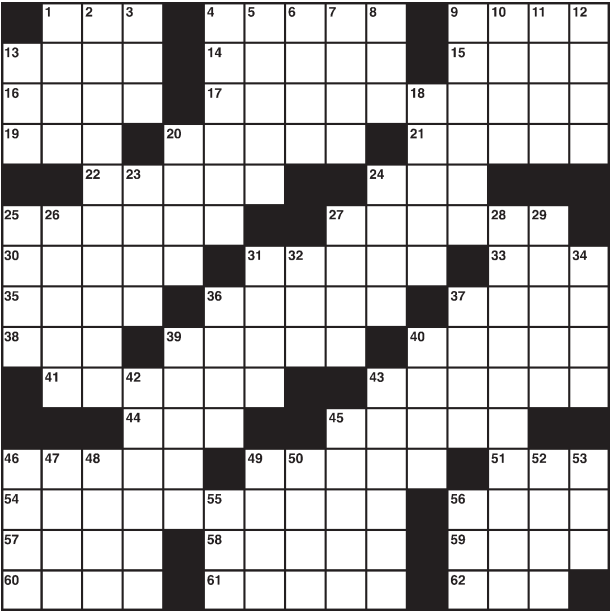
THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

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- 1 TV network
- 4 Backbone
- 9 ___ for; selects
- 13 Prizefight
- 14 Clementine's dad, by trade
- 15 Fellow
- 16 Supportive nation
- 17 Cold place
- 19 TV's "___ in the Family"
- 20 Cast member
- 21 Puts an end to
- 22 Actor Tom
- 24 Calendar pg.
- 25 Crocheter's coils
- 27 Successful dieters
- 30 Makes well
- 31 Course mark
- 33 Second largest bird
- 35 Loose ___; unfinished business
- 36 Ignores with contempt
- 37 Surgery memento
- 38 Recolor
- 39 Autos from Italy
- 40 Bush prickle
- 41 Not anchored
- 43 Climbs onto
- 44 Red ___; stinging bug
- 45 Fish-eating birds
- 46 Knight's weapon
- 49 "___ for Adano"; 1945 film
- 51 ___ flash; instantly
- 54 Vast
- 56 Nose's detection
- 57 Common conjunctions
- 58 Headache chaser
- 59 Writing table
- 60 Tree house?
- 61 Lugged around
- 62 Suffix for mock or cream

DOWN

- 1 Voter survey
- 2 Stupidly stubborn
- 3 Eyelid woe
- 4 Slaps



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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Today's solution

A	H	E	D	E	A	I	O	I	S	E	N
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- 5 Very small milk cartons
- 6 Two ___ four is two
- 7 Close by
- 8 Go astray
- 9 Do-to-do on the piano
- 10 TV's "Dr. ___"
- 11 Diplomacy
- 12 Restful resorts
- 13 Cry from one being fleeced
- 18 Picked
- 20 Blyth & Richards
- 23 Needs medicine
- 24 ___ off; dozes
- 25 Get rid of
- 26 African nation
- 27 Blood analysis sites
- 28 Have second thoughts about
- 29 Intelligent
- 31 Pesky insect
- 32 Groove
- 34 Fancy vases
- 36 Use a sieve
- 37 Have nothing to do with

- 39 Discovers
- 40 Pliers or saw
- 42 Hardest to find
- 43 Shaped
- 45 Depart
- 46 The Ugly Duckling, in reality
- 47 Burgundy or Chianti

- 48 Chances
- 49 Singer Guthrie
- 50 Underground edible
- 52 Prying
- 53 Animal carrier
- 55 Mrs. Nixon
- 56 Beethoven's "___ to Joy"

DNA donation spurs important disclosure

DEAR AMY: I was conceived via sperm donor and my parents, who are very private, never told me.

Via a DNA testing site, I was able to figure out the identity of the sperm donor and wrote to him.

Amy Dickinson
Ask Amy



openness to getting to know me and my family.

We've agreed to proceed slowly, which I think is healthy and in general a positive outcome.

My concern is regarding my parents, with whom I speak frequently.

I'm not angry with them, and want to respect their privacy and the choice they made not to tell me, and I worry this news may negatively impact my relationship with them.

I also have teenage kids who (currently) know none of this! What are your thoughts? — Open-Minded Daughter

DEAR DAUGHTER: This is a momentous discovery, and you are right to approach this thoughtfully. I see the challenge for you occurring on two levels — first involving disclosure, and second (and I assume more challenging) involving this new relationship you seem interested in building with your DNA donor.

I assume that as a daughter and a parent, you could understand that this new relationship might prove confusing — or threatening — to your folks. Meet with your parents in person. Tell them you've done DNA ancestry testing (like many other people), and that it revealed this surprise about your DNA. Thank them sincerely for taking this step to bring you into the world, and convey your deep love for them. Tell them that you appreciate their privacy, and ask if they'd like to tell you anything at all about the process.

Then I think you should sit on this for a bit and let them absorb this news. If they ask if you've connected with your DNA donor, tell them the truth — that you have and that you've communicated about your health history.

I would caution you not to refer to your DNA donor as your "biological father," and I would not disclose the relationship you seem interested in building until more time has passed. You may have DNA-related siblings, and a slew of new contacts and relationships to sort out, but the one with your parents should be paramount, and you should strive to be respectful and reassuring to them.

This is a teachable moment for your children, and the lesson you should convey is that life is beautiful, complicated, and surprising. Leading with honesty and love is the best any of us can do.

DEAR AMY: I'm in my 30s. My boyfriend and I have been dating exclusively for about four months and I just celebrated a birthday.

Due to conflicts with work and out-of-town guests, we were unable to see each other during the week of my birthday.

I know he isn't great with

remembering dates.

However, all he gave me was a card — no gift or taking me out for dinner.

I am not a materialistic person who needs someone to shower me with gifts, but I at least think it's nice to do a little something, even if it's a belated bouquet of flowers. Am I overreacting? Should I be bothered?

I am afraid to bring it up at the risk of sounding petty. — Not Gifted

DEAR NOT GIFTED: Your boyfriend is actually good at remembering dates. He remembered your birthday and gave you a card. I hope you expressed to him that this gesture touched you.

The beginning stages of a serious relationship are when both parties convey their values and preferences.

I do think you might be overreacting, but you are also trying to arrive at a balance in a fairly new relationship. You could say to him, "Thank you so much for remembering my birthday. That meant a lot. Would you be willing to also take me out for a belated birthday dinner? I'd really like to celebrate with you."

DEAR AMY: "Worried" has an alcoholic sister who is a nanny and drinks on the job. I could not believe that you neglected to advise Worried to look into attending Al-anon meetings! — Upset

DEAR UPSET: Al-anon.org is a valuable "friends and family" resource for people affected by a loved-one's drinking. Worried was most concerned about her "ethical and moral obligation" to inform parents of her sister's risky behavior while working as a nanny. I thought it was most vital to address this.

HOROSCOPE

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 14, 2022

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You and a loved one may not share similar objectives today, so this is a poor time to make joint decisions. You might be tempted to defend territory that is not yours to defend. Don't engage in workplace battles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Remember the saying about a fool and their money. Keep the purse strings tied tightly and don't give into to spending whims. Pass quality time with good friends and family with sports or outdoor exercise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may find it difficult to distinguish the truth from fiction. If you are single, you should be cautious of a passing infatuation. It is possible to get confused or lost if you follow a path without clarity or careful observation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Don't overreach by putting a purchase on a credit card or taking on additional debts you cannot afford. If you attempt to widen your personal sphere of influence right now, you could run into serious opposition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You can't always be the star or the center of attention. Be sensitive to perceived slights and remain positive. Don't be a loner; work side by side or spend time enjoying sporting activities or getting fit with loved ones.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Remain sociable without being too trusting. It is wise to be skeptical of over-the-top praise and compliments. Someone may be friendly but could harbor an underlying agenda. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) The less said the better. Someone might be indiscreet or give the wrong impression. You tend to be accommodating and can be the soul of generosity. The rest of the world unfortunately may not be in such an optimistic mood.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) When love is on the menu, be sure it is made with genuine ingredients instead of something sketchy. You might receive an invitation from an admirer but only time will tell if a casual flirtation could blossom into something more.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Don't take it personally. If you are out of step with a special someone, your feelings may seem to be ignored. Remain skeptical of ersatz offers that come your way; remind yourself there is no free lunch.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) What you don't know can hurt you. This isn't a good time to gather feedback because other people may hide real feelings behind a facade of good will. You may see all sides of a problem but it could be the wrong problem.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Sit this one out. What looks like a good deal or a worthwhile project may not seem quite as attractive when you give it closer scrutiny. You are likely to have a change of heart about something later.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Beware of building emotional backlash. Hidden discontent may lurk behind someone's kindhearted remarks. You will get the best results by remaining levelheaded and waiting for better timing to process and respond.

PULSE

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on the third Thursday, participants will attend class at various locations around the county “to better acquaint these leaders with the many assets and resources Wabash County has to offer.” Tuition for this program is \$700 for Grow Wabash County Investors and \$800 for the general public. The tuition covers all course materials, assessments, meals and snacks provided throughout the eight-month program. Grow Wabash County will also award full tuition to one LDWC applicant through the Jim Smith Scholarship. Applications for the scholarship are due by 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 and open now at www.growwabashcounty.com/jimsmithscholarship. Those interested in sponsoring this year’s program or registering themselves or representatives from their company for the 2022-2023 LDWC cohort may do so online at www.growwabashcounty.com/ldwc2223 or by calling 260-563-5258 or emailing chelsea@growwabashcounty.com.

Wabash County AACTION to hold community meeting

A local organization will hold a community meeting next week to introduce available funding to combat teen alcohol and drug abuse. The Wabash County AACTION organization will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 in the Bowen Center Community Room, 255 N. Miami St. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce available funding that is accessible to organizations that provide prevention and education, treatment and intervention and law enforcement and justice services to adults who misuse alcohol and illicit drugs and the underage use of alcohol, tobacco and e-cigarettes and illicit drugs in Wabash County. AACTION is committed to identifying the needs of the county regarding tobacco, drugs, and alcohol abuse. AACTION monitors programs which are recipients of Drug-Free Indiana funds and act as a resource in Wabash County for tobacco, drug, and alcohol information. For more information email, tobaccofreewabash@hotmail.com.

Honeywell House presents ‘Beer in America’

Learn about one of the most popular beverages in the nation when Scott Fergusson, founder of Chapman’s Brewery, presents “Beer in America: From Prohibition to Craft” at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at the Honeywell House, 720 N. Wabash St. In addition to telling the story of beer, Fergusson will share how he came to work in the beer business and his plans for future beer-centered endeavors in Wabash. The event is free, but due to limited seating, reservations are required. Reserve your spot now by calling 260-563-1102 or by visiting www.honeywellarts.org.

Salamonie Lake’s Preschool offers ‘M is for Migrating Monarchs’

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool’s “M is for Migrating Monarchs” on Thursday, Sept. 15 at Salamonie Interpretive Center at the Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area (SRA), 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews. Learn about monarchs and their amazing journeys. Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Each program is designed to enhance the

preschooler’s basic education, including music, crafts, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is requested. Register by calling 260-468-2127. For more information, visit <https://on.IN.gov/salamonielake> or dnr.IN.gov.

Wabash Christian Church plans second annual Kick-Off Sunday

For the second year in a row, Wabash Christian Church will be celebrating the start of the school and church year with a celebration. Last year Wabash Christian Church started a new tradition. September is the month when things return to normal as children return to school, families return from vacations and activities settle into a routine. To recognize the momentous event, Wabash Christian Church will be holding its second annual Kick-Off Sunday by inviting everyone to come and help celebrate the start of the church year. The event has been set for Sunday, Sept. 18 at 110 W. Hill St. The regular Sunday Church Service will be held at 9:30 a.m. After the service, a meal will be provided. Fun and games such as a dunk tank, bounce house, and other outdoor activities for the young and young at heart will be set up on Hill Street and the church lawn. Make plans now to attend this fun celebration and meet new friends. All are welcome. For more information, call 260-563-4179 or email office@wabashchristian.org.

Charley Creek Gardens to present ‘Lunch & Learn’ series

The Charley Creek Gardens 2022 “Lunch & Learn” series will continue at 551 N. Miami St. with Landscape & Weed Identification on Wednesday, Sept. 21; Resist Technique Painting on Wednesday, Oct. 19; and Poinsettia Cards on Wednesday, Nov. 16. Admission is free, with reservations required due to limited seating. Reservations may be made by visiting www.honeywellarts.org or calling 260-563-1102.

Manchester Civic Band celebrates a half-century of making music with concerts

The Manchester Civic Band typically holds three concerts per year at the Peabody Retirement Community and Timbercrest Retirement Community. This year will be no different as performances at Peabody Retirement Community have been scheduled for 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 21 and Dec. 7. This year’s Timbercrest Retirement Community performances have been scheduled for 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 28 and Dec. 14. They usually perform on a semi-trailer bed during the North Manchester Fun Fest parade and at Doud’s Orchard Open House in Denver, Indiana. The band will also perform at “Light up the Town” on Friday, Dec. 2 at The Firehouse, 108 W. Main St., North Manchester, to celebrate North Manchester’s Second Fridays on Main for December. Practices are open to all and held weekly at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the band room at Manchester High School, 1 Squire Drive, North Manchester.

Wabash High School plans homecoming celebrations

Once again, Wabash High School (WHS) has planned their homecoming celebrations, this time for

Friday, Sept. 23. The annual WHS homecoming parade has been scheduled for that day, as well, at 4:30 p.m. The parade will start and end at the school. Just like last year, the parade route will begin at WHS at 580 N. Miami St., turn north on North Miami Street, turn east on West Harrison Avenue, turn north on North Wabash Street, turn west on Euclid Street, turn south on Alber Street and then return to WHS.

MSD plans proposed new high school referendum informational meetings

MSD has scheduled several informational meetings on the referendum including at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at Southwood Jr./Sr. High School, 564 Indiana 124; 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at the Lagro Community Building, 230 Buchanan St., Lagro; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5 at Southwood Jr./Sr. High School; and 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 at Northfield Jr./Sr. High School. For more information, call 260-563-8050 or visit msdwc.org/referendum or msdwc.org/connect.

Wildflower Create & Take Trolley Tour tickets are on sale

Visit Wabash County has announced the release of the Wildflower Create & Take Trolley Tour, a new interactive trolley tour highlighting three wildflower farms in Wabash County. Spend the morning exploring three wildflower farms in Wabash County and creating keepsakes from each stop. The Wildflower Create & Take Trolley Tour will take place from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24. This all-inclusive tour is limited to 34 people and the cost per ticket is \$38. For more information, visit VisitWabashCounty.com/trolley-tours.

Downtown Wabash Farmers Market returns for its 15th season

Downtown Wabash is now seeking vendors to register for the market’s 15th season. The 2022 Downtown Wabash Farmers Market will run every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon through Sept. 24 at 275 W. Market St. Vendor registration is available in drop-in, half-season and full-season schedules. Drop-in registration is \$15 per weekend. Half-season registration is \$115 for 10 weeks, from May 14 through July 16; and from July 23 through Sept. 24. Full-season registration is \$200 for 20 weeks from May 14 through Sept. 24. To register for this year’s market, visit DowntownWabash.org/vendor, email carly@downtownwabash.org or call 260-563-0975.

Ladies Golf Association plans 12th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Golf Scramble

The Honeywell Golf Course and the Ladies Golf Association (LGA) are hosting the 12th annual Honeywell Breast Cancer Awareness Scramble for men and women on Sunday, Sept. 25. The event begins with a 1 p.m. shotgun start and concludes with dinner, prizes and a raffle draw. The proceeds benefit the 85 HOPE Medical Clinic Mammogram Fund which offers free 3-D mammograms to any Wabash County woman ages 40 to 64 during October in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Men and women, beginners and experienced golfers are welcomed. The \$60 player fee includes 18 holes of golf with cart, snacks, dinner, a gift bag and prizes. A raffle of donat-

ed items has also been planned. To register, call 260-563-8663 or mail to 3360 W. Division Road, Wabash, IN 46992. In addition, \$75 hole sponsorships from businesses, organizations and individuals “would be greatly appreciated.” Players, hole sponsors and raffle donors must make payments by Tuesday, Sept. 20. Players are asked to make their foursomes.

Honeywell Photography Show on display through Monday, Sept. 26

The Honeywell Arts & Entertainment 2022 Photography Show will be on display in the Clark Gallery through Monday, Sept. 26. The competition has three categories: altered images, color, and black and white (including sepia tones). Participants may enter up to three pieces, all of which may be entered into a single category or all three. However, the maximum of three entries still applies. For more information, visit www.honeywellarts.org.

City plans fall clean-up dates for October

This year’s dates have been planned from Monday, Oct. 3 to Saturday, Oct. 8. All items should be curbside by 6 a.m. on the day of residents’ weekly trash route. Piles are to be no larger than 4 feet by 8 feet. A dumpster will be located from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday behind the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District (WCSWMD), 1101 Manchester Ave., for residents not wanting to place items on curbside. Proof of city residence will be required. The following items will not be accepted for curbside disposal by the Wabash Street Department: Batteries, paint, petroleum products, chemical, televisions, computers, and other electronic devices, tires, appliances with Freon, loose shingles, drywall and plaster. All items these items except loose shingles, drywall, and plaster should be dropped off at the WCSWMD without a fee. The district does not accept trash. Trash is to be taken directly to the dumpster located behind the district operated by the Wabash Street Department. The Wabash Street Department will try to stay on schedule, due to weather or heavy volume they may run behind. If this happens, please be patient and your items will be picked up. This fall clean-up is not the WCSWMD’s “Tox-A-Way Day,” which will be announced at a later time.

GWC to recognize Crossroads Bank as 2022 Business of the Year

Grow Wabash County (GWC) has announced that Crossroads Bank has been selected as the 2022 Business of the Year and will be honored during their Annual Dinner Celebration from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, in Legacy Hall in the Honeywell Center. For more information, call 260-563-5258, email marketing@growwabashcounty.com or visit www.growwabashcounty.com/2022annualdinner.

Dick Quigley Music Festival set for November

The Dick Quigley Music Festival features free admission and is held annually on the first and second weekend in November in Peru. The Musical Matinee, sponsored by Peru Maennerchor, will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6 at 154 S. Wabash St., Peru. The event will feature “the usual carry-in dinner” and Rod Noftsgier’s Fascinating

Rhythm Band. Combo Night, Sponsored by Peru Maennerchor, will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11 at 154 S. Wabash St., Peru, and will feature the No Regrets Blues Band. Big Band Night will be held at the Riverview Event Center at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 at 421 W. Canal St., Peru, and will feature the 20-piece Quigley Jazz Band.

Kaleidoscope Gallery welcomes Pamela Hoover

The North Manchester Center for History (NMCH) will welcome Pamela Hoover, owner of The Samplermaker, to their artist’s gallery at the NMCH, 122 E. Main St., North Manchester. The Samplermaker exhibit will remain in the Kaleidoscope Gallery through mid-November. The Center for History is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

Money Smart Program to be held at the Wabash County YMCA

The Wabash County YMCA Lunch and Learn Program is free for the community and is to last from 12:15 to 1 p.m. Tuesdays on the third Tuesday of every month, through Jan. 17, 2023, at the Wabash County YMCA, 500 S. Cass St. The program Participation is limited to 14 guests. Register by calling 260-563-9622 or emailing jthibos@wabashcountyyymca.org. Participants will receive a free lunch on behalf of Crossroads Bank and will have the opportunity to learn about financial management. Topics include credit reports and scores, buying a home, how to budget, managing debt and more. To learn more about the Wabash County YMCA, visit www.wabashcountyyymca.org or email pgodfroy@wabashcountyyymca.org. Learn more about the Wabash County YMCA job offerings at www.wabashcountyyymca.org/jobs. To make a tax-deductible donation “to support the Y’s cause of strengthening the community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility,” visit www.wabashcountyyymca.org/donate or email jdriskill@wabashcountyyymca.org.

Stillwater Hospice needs volunteers to sit with the dying

Stillwater Hospice needs volunteers to sit with the dying, including those in Wabash County. They currently have over 115 volunteers but would like to expand the number of individuals who would like to spend time with patients to help support the caregivers of patients. For more information, visit www.stillwater-hospice.org or call 260-435-3222.

Alzheimer’s and Dementia Caregiver Support Group available at YMCA

The Wabash County YMCA has announced the new Alzheimer’s and Dementia Caregiver Support Group in conjunction with Bickford Senior Living held at the YMCA. Alzheimer’s and Dementia Caregiver Support Group is free to the public and will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Wabash County YMCA, 500 S. Cass St. Caregivers and family members will share, support, and learn together as they care for a loved one with memory loss. For more information, email brobinsont@wabashcountyyymca.org, pgodfroy@wabashcountyyymca.org or wabashlec@bickfordseniorliving.com or visit www.wabashcountyyymca.org.



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Ukrainian troops keep up pressure on fleeing Russian forces

By ELENA BECATOROS and HANNA ARHIROVA
Associated Press

KHARKIV, Ukraine — Ukrainian troops piled pressure on retreating Russian forces Tuesday, pressing deeper into occupied territory and sending more Kremlin troops fleeing ahead of the counteroffensive that has inflicted a stunning blow on Moscow’s military prestige.

As the advance continued, Ukraine’s border guard services said the army took control of Vovchansk — a town just 2 miles from Russia seized on the first day of the war. Russia acknowledged that it has withdrawn troops from areas in the northeastern region of Kharkiv in recent days.

Russian troops were also pulling out from the southern city of Melitopol, the second-largest city in Ukraine’s southern Zaporizhzhia region, the city’s pre-occupation mayor said. His claim could not immediately be verified.

Melitopol has been under Russian occupation since early March. Capturing it would give Kyiv the opportunity to disrupt Russian supply lines between the south and the eastern Donbas region, the two major areas where Moscow-backed forces hold territory.

Melitopol Mayor Ivan Fedorov wrote on Telegram that the Russian troops were heading toward Moscow-annexed Crimea. He said columns of military equipment were reported at a checkpoint in Chonhar, a village marking the boundary between the Crimean peninsula and the Ukrainian mainland.

In the newly freed village of Chkalovske in the Kharkiv region, Svitlana Honchar said Russians’ departure was sudden and swift.

“They left like the wind,” Honchar said Tuesday after loading cans of food aid into her car. “They were fleeing by any means they could.”



A Ukrainian soldier helps a wounded fellow soldier on the road in the freed territory in the Kharkiv region, Ukraine, Monday. Ukrainian troops retook a wide swath of territory from Russia on Monday, pushing all the way back to the northeastern border in some places, and claimed to have captured many Russian soldiers as part of a lightning advance that forced Moscow to make a hasty retreat.

Some Russians appeared to have been left behind in the hasty retreat. “They were trying to catch up,” she said.

It was not yet clear if the Ukrainian blitz, which unfolded after months of little discernible movement, could signal a turning point in the nearly seven-month war.

But the country’s officials were buoyant, releasing footage showing their forces burning Russian flags and inspecting abandoned, charred tanks. In one video, border guards tore down a poster that read, “We are one people with Russia.”

Momentum has switched back and forth before, and Ukraine’s American allies were careful not to declare a premature victory since Russian President Vladimir Putin still has troops and resources to tap.

In the face of Russia’s largest defeat since its botched attempt to capture Kyiv early in the war, Defense Ministry spokesman Igor Konashenko said troops were hitting back with “massive strikes” in all sectors. But there were no immediate reports of a

sudden uptick in Russian attacks.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said that Ukrainian forces were carrying out “stabilization measures” across recaptured territory in the country’s south and east, and rounding up Russian troops, “saboteurs” and alleged collaborators.

In his nightly televised address, Zelenskyy also pledged to restore normalcy in the liberated areas.

“It is very important that together with our troops, with our flag, ordinary, normal life enters the de-occupied territory,” he said, citing an example of how people in one village had already begun receiving pension payments after months of occupation.

Reports of chaos abounded as Russian troops pulled out — as well as claims that they were surrendering en masse. The claims could not be confirmed.

Ukrainian Deputy Minister of Defense Hanna Maliar said Kyiv is trying to persuade even more Russian soldiers to give up, launching shells filled with flyers ahead

of their advance.

“Russians use you as cannon fodder. Your life doesn’t mean anything for them. You don’t need this war. Surrender to Armed Forces of Ukraine,” the flyers read.

Authorities moved into several areas to investigate alleged atrocities committed by Russian troops against civilians.

Since Saturday, the Kharkiv regional police have repeatedly reported that local law enforcement officers have found civilian bodies bearing signs of torture across territories formerly held by Russia. It was not possible to verify their statements.

On Tuesday, regional police alleged that Russian troops had set up “a torture chamber” at the local police station in Balakliya, a town of 25,000, that was occupied from March until last week.

In a Facebook post, the head of the police force’s investigative department, Serhii Bolvinov, cited testimony from Balakliya residents and claimed that Russian troops “always kept at least 40 people captive” on the premises.

In Northern Ireland, praise for monarchy vies with disdain

By ADAM GELLER
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BELFAST, Northern Ireland — It’s less than ten minutes walk from the Falls Road to the Shankhill Road in Northern Ireland’s capital, where Catholics and Protestants still live in segregated enclaves.

But to hear people in these adjoining neighborhoods explain their almost diametrically opposite views of the British monarchy, it might as well be 1,000 miles.

And so as King Charles III arrived in Northern Ireland for the first visit since his mother’s death elevated him to the throne, the voices of Belfast offered a sharp reminder of the country’s persistent, complicated and, at times, bloody political realities.

On the street residents call The Shankhill — center of a Protestant neighborhood with a long history of loyalty to the crown — British flags fluttered over shops and from light poles. At the foot of a giant mural of a young Elizabeth II proclaiming her “the people’s queen,” many proud to be her subjects came bearing flowers and notes of emotional farewell.

“We swore our allegiance to the queen and she stuck by us,” said Jacqueline Humphries, 58, once a soldier in the Ulster Defence Regiment, established by the British Army to police Northern Ireland during the decades of sectarian violence known as The Troubles. “I think Charles will do just as good a job. She trained him well.”

Not half a mile away on the Falls Road — the nationalist stronghold that served as base for the Irish Republican Army and its decades-long guerrilla campaign against British rule — those heading to work Tuesday brushed off any suggestion that Charles’ visit could validate the crown’s claim to Northern

Ireland.

“They can believe that, but we still believe we will get a united Ireland,” said Paul Walker, 55, walking past a 3-story-high mural of Bobby Sands, an IRA militant who died while on a hunger strike in prison in 1981.

Charles is “not our king. Bobby Sands was our king here,” said 52-year-old Bobby Jones. “Queen never done nothing for us. Never did. None of the royals do.”

Walker and others said Queen Elizabeth II had earned a measure of respect, if never affection, for her decision in 2012 to shake hands with Martin McGuinness, the former IRA commander who went on to serve as Northern Ireland’s deputy first minister. But Charles is unwelcome.

“He won’t be up here much. We don’t have a place for Charles,” said a man named Christy, 61, who like others declined to provide his full name, pointing to Belfast’s fading, but brutally memorable, record of retribution on both sides.

The new king walked a delicate line Tuesday, thanking Northern Ireland officials for their condolences and praise of his mother for her efforts to foster reconciliation.

The queen, he said, “felt deeply, I know, the significance of the role she herself played in bringing together those whom history had separated, and in extending a hand to make possible the healing of long-held hurts.”

It’s not clear, though, if Charles will benefit from goodwill earned by his mother. She had decades to build a reputation as a steadfast leader even in the most difficult of times; not so, her son, who some see as aloof. And nowhere else in the lands that make up this less than United Kingdom is the divide over the crown so fierce.

Most of Ireland gained independence from Britain in 1921 after a guerrilla war.

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Rylee Yoakum led with three goals and one assist in the rout as Wabash notched their second win in a row after a 5-0 shutout two days prior on the road at Marion.

Wabash girls varsity soccer team sinks North Miami with 7 goals

The Apaches will be back in action on Thursday at home against Blackford

By **CLAY MAXFIELD**
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Wabash’s varsity girls soccer team moved to 5-1 overall on Thursday, Sept. 8, while further solidifying their hold on the top spot in the Three Rivers Conference (TRC) with a 7-0 shutout over North Miami.

Rylee Yoakum led with three goals and one assist in the rout as Wabash notched their second win in a row after a 5-0 shutout two days prior on the road at Marion.

“I’m really proud of how

our girls came out,” Wright said. “We’ve really been working on some things really hard in practice. Being patient, using our drop with our spacing. I was more impressed and proud of them with that than the goal differential but I’m hoping that they’ll see that working on those things in practice will lead to some of those offensive opportunities.”

Wabash began the game with three goals in the first half before Rylee Yoakum scored what was her second goal of the game just 16 minutes into the second half of play before Kiana Jones continued to help the Apaches pile on offensively with a score of her own just minutes later.

Hannah Layne and the Apaches’ defense won with another shutout this season

after Layne notched a save against North Miami along with three saves against Marion.

As Wabash continues their season, Wright credits her senior class when it comes to the tone that has been set not just on game day but in practice as well.

“I got some seniors that really want it. These girls have managed, they played in the middle school program. Our program is just seven years year old, these girls were managers. They’ve seen this program all the way through. They know this is what’s left. That intensity starts in practice. ... They’re just hungry for it,” she said.

With six games remaining on their schedule,

“I think, one, we got quite a few new players join us that have picked up on this game

that have never played this game so exceptionally well,” Wright said. “Kait Honeycutt who was out here has never played soccer before. Having somebody like that come and control the ball and control the center of our field and adding that to the strength that we already had.”

“We were a strong team and it’s made them stronger.”

Wabash began their season with three straight TRC wins against Tippecanoe Valley, Rochester and Peru before their lone loss of the season came against Mississinewa.

The Apaches will be back in action on Thursday, Sept. 15 at home against Blackford, before hosting Tri-Central on Wednesday, Sept. 21.

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Colts ride tie to odd share of AFC South lead

By **MICHAEL MAROT**
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INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts’ opening-day losing streak is over. Their winless streak remains intact.

Less than 24 hours after settling for the franchise’s first tie in 40 years, the Colts returned home with a share of the division lead – and an odd feeling about a record of 0-0-1.

“It’s an emotional roller coaster,” receiver Parris Campbell said Monday. “At first, you don’t know to feel. It’s sort of a sour feeling because you prepare all week for a win and you don’t get a win. But it’s not all sour because you didn’t lose and there are some positives you can take from it.”

How unusual is this scenario for the Colts?

Their most recent tie before Sunday came in the strike-shortened 1982 season when the team played in Baltimore and went 0-8-1. The next most recent tie came during their 1970 Super Bowl-winning season. And since the franchise’s inception in 1953, the Colts had never opened the season with a tie.

Even quarterback Matt Ryan, a 15-year veteran who has played in a Super Bowl and won the 2016 MVP, wasn’t sure what to make of it.

“It’s the first time for a tie in the NFL, so it’s strange,” he said Sunday. “You’re disappointed to not come out of here with a win. At the same time, we didn’t lose.”

The Colts saw some encouraging signs from Sunday’s 20-20 result.

With two-time defending division champ Tennessee and Jacksonville both losing

Sunday, the Colts sit atop the AFC South after Week 1 for the first time since 2013. And despite playing three quarters of subpar football, they nearly got out of Houston with a win.

What’s working

During the fourth quarter and overtime, the Colts rallied and provided a glimpse of their potential.

Jonathan Taylor gashed the Texans with strong runs. Michael Pittman Jr. made key catches and nifty moves afterward. Ryan showed why he’s nicknamed Matty Ice and the Indy defense came up with stop after stop.

It was enough to erase a 17-point deficit and force

overtime and it appeared good enough to win before Rodrigo Blankenship shanked a 42-yard field-goal attempt to the right.

What needs help

Pinpointing a specific area is nearly impossible.

While Taylor and the offensive line worked out their timing issues as the game wore on, Ryan threw an interception and struggled with multiple snaps. Nyheim Hines muffed a punt near the Colts’ 10-yard line. Alec Pierce dropped a pass in the end zone and Ashton Dulin had another potential catch jarred loose.

Plus, one of the league’s least penalized teams in re-

cent years drew seven flags, including a running-in-to-the-kicker penalty that allowed Houston to burn the final 4 1/2 minutes of the third quarter.

Next steps

Now that Indy has moved beyond the opening-day streak, it can contend with another skid: seven straight losses at Jacksonville.

The streak includes an opening-day loss in 2020, which turned out to be the Jags’ only win that season, and last year’s shocking play-off-eliminating loss in the season finale. Indy will need to play much cleaner and more efficiently to retain its division lead after Week 2.

Notre Dame QB Tyler Buchner expected to miss season with injury

By **ANDREW MENTOCK**
Associated Press

SOUTH BEND — Notre Dame quarterback Tyler Buchner is expected to miss the rest of the regular season with an injury to his nonthrowing shoulder that will require surgery.

Fighting Irish coach Marcus Freeman said Monday that Buchner has a severe AC joint sprain in his left shoulder. Buchner was injured in the fourth quarter of Notre Dame’s surprising loss to Marshall over the weekend and was scheduled to have surgery Tuesday.

“The expected recovery time is about four months,” Freeman said. “We can all do that math. That probably puts us somewhere in mid-January.”

Drew Pyne, who came off the bench after Buchner was hurt, was listed as the starter on Notre Dame’s depth chart for this Saturday’s home game against California. Against Marshall, he went 3 for 6 with a touchdown pass and an interception.

In August, Pyne entered training camp competing for the starting quarterback position but lost the job to Buchner after team practice No. 7.

“As I said when we addressed the quarterback competition in fall camp, I had the utmost confidence in both of those guys to be able to lead our offense and lead our football team,” Freeman said. “We are still very positive and optimistic about our future moving

forward.”

Pyne is 20 for 39 for 256 yards, three touchdowns and an interception in five career games. That includes a relief appearance against No. 18 Wisconsin in 2021, where Pyne threw a fourth-quarter touchdown in a late-game comeback victory.

Notre Dame is off to an 0-2 under first-year coach Freeman after beginning this season ranked fifth in the country.

Now Pyne is charged with orchestrating an in-season turnaround.

“You’re thrust into a leadership position when you’re the quarterback,” Freeman said. “You want people to be able to follow you, not just through your actions, but through your words and who you are as a leader. He’s a natural leader. He has a lot of the natural QB traits that you’re looking for.”

Notre Dame is trying to avoid going 0-3 for the first time since 2007.

With Buchner at quarterback, the Irish offense struggled in two games this season. Notre Dame ranks No. 117 among FBS teams in scoring offense with 15.5 points per game.

In addition to throwing for 378 yards and two interceptions, Buchner was Notre Dame’s leading rusher with 24 carries for 62 yards and two touchdowns.

Even with Buchner’s wheels, the Irish are 110th in rushing offense with 103 yards per game.

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